

PROPERTIES OF GREAT PROMISE

Buffalo-Arizona to Be Actively Worked

Located in the Very Heart of Rich Mineral Zone Has Good Showing.

The properties of the Buffalo-Arizona Gold Mines company will be worked this year for all that they are worth and the results obtained, judging from the present indications as far as development has progressed, should be highly satisfactory to all concerned.

The properties are located in one of the best mineralized sections of the county, the following well known properties being within a radius of only two or three miles of the Buffalo-Arizona holdings: The celebrated Poland Mining company, the Poland Extension, the Josephine Gold and Copper company, the Consolidated Mining and Milling company, and the Michigan and Arizona company. There are also a large number of other properties within a short distance of those of the Buffalo-Arizona all of which are being worked with very satisfactory results.

Arthur E. Brown, of Providence, Rhode Island, arrived in this section December 6 and made a careful and thorough examination of the Buffalo-Arizona property, and was so well satisfied with the showing that he purchased all the promoters' stock with the exception of that held by J. C. Forest, who not only retains his interest in the company but continues as its secretary.

Mr. Brown will finance the company, having already met with very flattering success. He has been successful in financing other mining companies and has no fears in being able to succeed in this with the showing already made.

Daniel Rice, of Idaho Springs, Colorado, a practical mining man of thirty years' experience, has been engaged as superintendent of the property, and is out there now getting things in shape to start active work in its development, which will be commenced within a few days.

The mine will be equipped with all necessary machinery for its economical and successful development and there is every reason to believe that good reports will be heard from it during the present year.

Stevens-Driscoll.

The San Francisco Bulletin of December 27 contains a marriage notice, which will be read with interest by many Arizonans as the principals are well known in this territory. The Bulletin's notice follows:

"The many friends of Miss Mary Alice Driscoll and H. W. Stevens, a prominent mine owner of Arizona, will be pleasantly surprised to hear that they were quietly married at St. Peter's church.

"Mrs. Stevens is the sister of J. J. Driscoll, who is connected with the local customs service. Her charming personality has won her a host of warm friends, who wish the bride every happiness.

"Mr. Stevens is largely interested in several fine mining properties near Prescott, Ariz. Both bride and groom left for New York this morning, where the honeymoon will be spent.

"The wedding took place on Christmas eve and was attended only by a few intimate friends.

Mr. Stevens is a resident of Morris town where he is engaged in mining being the superintendent of the Pico Blanco Mining company. He is also well known to Prescott people as his business frequently calls him here.

His bride is also well known in the territory, her brother, J. J. Driscoll, having been formerly a postoffice inspector in this territory. Their many friends will wish them much joy and happiness in their matrimonial voyage in which the Journal-Miner joins with its best wishes.

Burning of Brush.

To the inspector of forest reserves and whom it may concern: May I ask, have you an Abraham Lincoln like experience in splitting wood? If not then listen to the summation of one who has had thirty years practice in manufacturing wood, on the public domain, on timber reserves and on private property.

Do not burn the brush. Do not burn on its being piled in two large and compact piles. Smaller ones, a little more disseminated will rot away in three years, leaving the ground in the best condition for the growth of plants. Large piles require a year or two longer. In firing brush heaps of the larger kind, the heat generated by combustion subjects the ground beneath it to destructive distillation. The vegetable soil is destroyed, and there remains an excess of the mineral potassium, alkali. Ranch men, owning land containing pine timber from which they manufacture more or less wood, do not fire or even pile their own brush. This for years has been my unvarying practice while manufacturing pine wood from a timber tract, on which I had obtained a U. S. patent.

Any one today, in strolling over the entire ranch, will find no spots scorched by fire, or scarcely a foot of ground so encumbered by brush as to interfere with the growth of young timber or even that of grass, though but three years have elapsed since I manufactured one hundred cords of wood on this ranch which I have since disposed of.

The annual custom by ranchers of firing heaps of brush piled according

to their direction is a most unwarranted and dangerous custom and ought at once to be discontinued. Owing to the spreading tendency of fire such burning has been attended, and if continued will be attended with more or less damage, for in such localities the ground is continuously covered with combustible material from the annual fall of forest leaves of a turpentine variety.

Do not enforce the rules too strictly for that leads to just complaint and the results obtained by the contractor do not equal the effort made. It is not difficult to imagine cases where a strict enforcement of the rules would be nothing less than a downright insult to common manhood. Our summarization of over a quarter of a century of practice and observation is that the interests of the department is best conserved by not firing the brush. Your obedient servant. H. O.

Musical Recital.

The little folks of the St. Cecilia Study club, composed of the pupils of Miss Annabel Bailey and Mrs. H. D. Ross, gave a very pleasant musical program, on Saturday evening, at K. of P. hall, under the direction of their teachers. The parents and a few friends of the pupils were present and enjoyed the entertainment very much, as the young folks demonstrated that their musical education is in good hands. At the conclusion of the program prizes were awarded to the pupils who had shown the greatest amount of practice on their lessons. The program follows:

- Chorus, "This Glad Day," St. Cecilia Club.
- Quartet—Mabel Hough, Miss Bailey, Piano Solo—Jack Chappell.
- Quartet—a "Black Eyed Susan," a "The Cuckoo Clock," Beth Block, Ethel Fisher, Nydia Aker, M. Levy.
- Cornet Solo—Teddie Ross.
- Piano Solo—Florence Herndon.
- Orchestra—a "Blue Bells of Scotland," a "Sweet Afton," violin, Mrs. Ross, cornet, Teddie Ross; piano, Mrs. Ross.
- Chorus—"Good News," St. Cecilia Club.
- Duet—Beth Block, Mrs. Ross.
- Piano Solo—Marguerite Levy.
- Trio—Stanley Payne, Davis Ross, Teddie Ross.
- Piano Solo—Helen Carnes.
- Violin Solo—Davis Ross.
- Piano Solo—Nydia Aker.
- Duet—Harold Brisley, Mabel Brisley.
- Orchestra—a "Hush There Were," a "America."
- Award of practice prizes.

A Unique Party.

Geo. Hartman and Hill C. Moore, on Christmas day, were out in the Logans creek mining district engaged in doing annual assessment work on some mining claims owned by them. They were a considerable distance away from other mining camps and were the only occupants of their own camp.

There were no children near, whose hearts they could gladden on the bright, cloudless Arizona Christmas day, although they had the Christmas spirit strong in their hearts, and they determined on having a Christmas observance, even in the loneliness of their camp and gave probably an unique and original Christmas tree as was ever given. It was a Christmas tree for the birds. They secured a nice young pine tree about twelve or fifteen feet high and about twelve feet across from the tips of the branches. On the night before Christmas they hung meat, bread, fish and other delicacies which birds like on this tree, just leading it down, and on Christmas day they had probably the biggest Christmas party held in Arizona. Mr. Moore says the birds flocked there by the hundreds, and partook of the feast provided for them, and as they satisfied their hunger they flew away and apparently notified others, as their places on the tree would soon be occupied again. A sufficient supply was placed on the tree to last for two days and the Christmas party was kept up for that period. Mr. Moore states that they had as happy a time watching their feathered guests, as they ever experienced on a Christmas day. Blue birds, also known as camp robbers, and several other birds, including a number of birds which they had never seen before, were among the guests. He also stated that they had made friends of the birds before they fed them, as they appeared around the camp, but they had never had such a swarm of them as came to their Christmas party.

A Happy Wedding.

One of the prettiest home weddings that has taken place in this county for a long time was the one which Ernest Childers and Miss Theresa Parr, two of Yavapai county's worthy and popular young people, joined their hearts and lives. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's father, Jack Farrall, in McCabe, yesterday afternoon at three o'clock, by Father Donovan, of the Catholic church of this city. Quite a number of friends and relatives were present. After the words had been spoken that made the happy couple man and wife, and congratulations had been extended, a bounteous wedding dinner was served to the guests present. They were also the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents.

The bride and her sister, Miss Nora Parrall, who attended her, were attired in beautiful gowns of white poodle silk trimmed in applique and spangled net trimmings, while the groom and best man, Lew Murphy, were suitably dressed in conventional black.

The decorations for the house were white carnations, which made a very pretty effect.

After the wedding dinner Mr. and Mrs. Childers and Miss Parrall drove to Prescott, returning to McCabe this afternoon.

The bride has lived with her father at McCabe for nearly ten years and has won her way into the hearts of all who know her by her lovable

kindly manners. Mr. Childers, the groom, is one of the substantial young men of the county and a first class miner, being at present foreman for the Stark Mining company, where they will make their future home. He has resided in this county for over five years and has hosts of friends. The Journal-Miner joins the host of friends in wishing them long life and prosperity.

NEW YEAR RECEPTION

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Hazeltine was thronged with New Year callers on New Year's afternoon, at the reception given by Mrs. Hazeltine and Misses Drake, Fisher and Criley. The rooms were very tastefully decorated for the occasion with violets and carnations, and in the dining room there was a huge punch bowl filled with fruit punch which was served to the guests. In the middle of the bowl a large piece of ice decorated with violets floated on the punch, giving a very beautiful effect without in the least deteriorating from the quality of the punch. Among those who called to pay their respects to the hostesses of the afternoon were a number of ladies although the gentlemen were in the majority. In addition to the refreshing punch, coffee and sandwiches were also served all the guests who called.

The revival of this old and time honored custom of New Year's day receptions is a good omen as it is a pleasant way of spending a portion of the initial day of the new year, the social feature of which is elevating where properly observed.

PUBLIC RECORDS.

The following is the daily report of instruments filed in the county recorder's office as reported by the Prescott Title Company:

- December 29.—W J Tyson et al file a work on Real Thing Nos 1 and 2 mines, Walnut Grove dist.
- Geo W Oakman to Great Republic C and G M Co, deed to Oakman mine, Black Canyon dist.
- P W Hocking et al file a work on Blucher and Blucher Nos 1, 2, 3 and 4 mines, Walker district.
- S R Patterson and C I Ferguson locate Bird Bird mine, Walker dist.
- Frank Spence to Chas L Miller, bill of sale to cattle on range, \$600.
- W A Charlton to Hiram Lyand & Son, bill of sale to cattle on range.
- J M Haglund to W H Palmer deed to a quarter of Gold Note mine, Martinez district.
- John Morris files a work on Monitor mine, Kirkland dist.
- E L Gohin to A B Foltz, deed to an eighth of Wire Gold mine, Pine Grove district.
- W H Bates et al incorporate Rincon Mines Co, capital stock, \$1,200,000.
- Maggie French files a work on Critter mine, Turkey Creek dist.
- H M Meriwether files a work on S B Robert E Lee, Mineral King, and Oro Fino mines, Black Canyon dist.
- December 31.—S Yocum and D L Booker amend location of Hillside mine, Walker district.
- Dorly M G files a work on numerous mines, Thumb Butte district.
- Porfirio Belandier files a work on New Century and Hillside mines, Walker district.
- J M W Moore, receiver, to Mrs S B Mayer, receipt for numerous placers in Bigbug dist, \$75.
- J M Roland et al file a work on numerous mines in Hassayampa district.
- R H Row et al file a work on numerous mines in Mineral Point district.
- Buffalo-Arizona Gold Mines Co files a work on numerous mines in Turkey Creek dist.
- White Horse M Co files a work on numerous mines in Walker district.
- Hong Kong Group M Co files a work on numerous mines in Walker district.
- Mourne Consolidated M Co files a work on numerous mines in Walker district.
- Hugo Richards and wife to the Bank of Arizona deed to a 35 ft lot 19, 21, 23, blk 2, Prescott, \$5.
- H L Murphy et al file a work on Ace of Spades and Cannon Ball mines, Ball Butte dist.
- A Nixon et al file a work on Lucky Dog mine, Turkey Creek dist.
- Decree distributing estate of Daniel Moghanab, deceased, consisting of numerous mines, to numerous heirs.
- Martin Baker files a work on Clipper and St. Anthony mines, Black Hills dist.
- Chaparral M Co amends location of Marion C mine, Bigbug district.
- Orrin P Place to Saratoga Gold M Co, deed to Annexed mine, Pine Grove district, \$30,000.
- Dunkirk Gold and Silver M Co file a work on Dunkirk and Kentucky Judge mines, Hassayampa district.
- Robt De Large and wife to John S Jones, trustees, deed to one half of one fourth and one half of one fourth of sec 3, 13 & 14, \$500.
- Gladys Rose et al file a work on Buzzard mine, Hassayampa dist.
- Wm Gannell et al file a work on Trinity and Lulu mines, Hassayampa district.
- Gold Cross M Co files a work on numerous mines in Walker district. Six mining location notices.
- John Hestrich files a work on numerous mines, Bigbug dist.
- J R Boyer et al files a work on numerous mines, Cherry Creek dist.
- Harry Jacobs et al file a work on Midnight and New Year Gift mines, Minnehaha dist.
- Harry Stimulation et al file a work on Scorpion mine, Cherry Creek dist.
- Grand View M and M Co file a work on numerous mines, Cherry Creek dist.
- D E Andrews files statement on Tam O'Shanter and Spokane mines, Pine Grove dist, incomplete.
- J S Elstner to J P Ryan, agreement, one piano, cost \$500.
- J M W Moore, receiver, to Crown King Mining Co, receipt, numerous mines, Pine Grove dist, cost \$65.

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